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# REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN AND OTHER TOWN OFFICERS

OF

CORNISH, N. H.

INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE

Superintending School Committee,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1873.

CLAREMONT, N. H.

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# State of New-Hampshire.

**L. S.** To the inhabitants of the town of Cornish, in the County of Sullivan in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House, in said town, on the second Tuesday of March next at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
2. To choose a Town Clerk.
3. To choose a Representative to represent this town in the General Court of this State.
4. To bring in your votes for Governor, Councillor, Senator, Railroad Commissioner, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds and one County Commissioner.
5. To bring in your votes for Representative to represent the third Congressional District of this State in the Congress of the United States.
6. To choose Selectmen and all other necessary Town Officers.
7. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges the ensuing year.
8. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to make and repair highways and bridges the ensuing year.
9. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay existing claims against the town.
10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay damage, and build road laid out by the Selectmen on petition of Daniel G. Deming and others.
11. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road beginning at a stake and stones at the intersection of the road west of Daniel G. Deming's house, from which the north-west corner of the shop opposite the said Daniel G. Deming's house bears north  $82^{\circ} 45'$ , east, at a distance of thirteen rods six and one half links, thence north  $62^{\circ} 45'$ , west eighteen rods, eighteen and one half links, thence north  $76^{\circ}$ , west nine rods, thence north  $38^{\circ} 45'$ , west 7 rods, five links, thence north  $58^{\circ} 15'$ , west seven rods, twelve and one half links, thence north  $62^{\circ} 30'$ , west nine rods, thirteen links to the center of the main road leading from Cornish Flat to Claremont, said road being laid out on petition of Daniel G. Deming and others.

Given under our hands and seals, this twenty-second day of February, A. D. 1873.

STEPHEN A. TRACY,	} <i>Selectmen</i>	
CHARLES E. JACKSON,		of
EDWARD O. DAY,		<i>Cornish.</i>

# FINANCIAL REPORT

## OF THE

# TOWN OF CORNISH,

**For the year ending March 1, 1873.**

The amount of tax required to be assessed by law, and by vote of the town, we find as follows:

For State Tax,	1389 00
For County Tax,	1557 62
For schools required by law,	1620 50
To defray town charges,	1800 00
To pay existing claims against the town,	2000 00
To purchase safe,	300 00
For new cemetery,	300 00
For dog tax,	107 00
Percentage, about 4 per cent,	383 56
School house tax, District No. 1,	308 11
Non resident highway tax,	90 55
	\$ 9856 34

The Selectmen have received and paid into the treasury the following additional sums:

For support of County paupers,	234 83
J. M. Davidson, Trustee of Foss Fund,	112 80
Savings Bank Tax for 1872,	265 16
Railroad Tax for 1872,	46 16
Literary Fund for 1872,	127 05
Cash hired of Michael McCarty,	100 00
“ 1st Bap. Society, Cornish,	100 00
Cash and Bonds received of the State of N. H. for re-embursements of war expenses,	11,600 00
Cash for interest on State Bonds, July 10, 1872,	223 00
Cash for interest on State Bonds due January 1, 1873, 120.00, less expenses, .40	119 60



For old orders taken up for which  
new orders were drawn, viz.

Almeda Jackson, No. 94, Nov. 22, 1864, and interest,	161 95
Rebecca W. Martindale, town agent's note, not reported last year, and interest,	43 97
Samuel Wood, No. 147, Feb. 6, 1865,	1000 00
First Bap. Soc'y, No. 54, Oct. 24, '63,	400 00
"    No. 61, June 15, '72,	100 00
Cash of Van Buren Bachellor, liquor agent, profit on liquor,	51 87
Cash of Eldad Coburn, for sacking on safe,	40
	<hr/> 14,686 79
Total amount of Receipts,	\$24,543 13

We find orders drawn on the Treas-  
urer as follows:

#### FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

District No. 1, Read Shedd,	198 65
"    2, Edward Bryant,	165 38
"    3, L. L. Chapman,	94 09
"    4, George G. Walker,	76 33
"    5, Richard M. Johnson,	96 28
"    6, S. M. Bugbee,	262 05
"    7, John L. Paget,	154 92
"    8, Moses Hutchinson,	163 56
"    9, Philander W. Smith,	102 18
"    10, Abel W. Fairbanks,	126 39
"    11, George E. Hilliard,	120 07
"    12, O. A. Kelley,	35 73
"    13, Lyman Fitch,	99 53
"    15, John M. Root,	30 78
"    16, Daniel Whitmore,	81 26
"    1, Plainfield, L.D.Spaulding,	6 49
"    14, Claremont, Edwin T. Ayres,	13 41
	<hr/> \$1,827 10

#### FOR SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.

Meriam Butman,	67 25
James Carroll,	35 72
Lydia Allen,	52 00
Eli Aikins,	122 86
	<hr/> \$ 277 83

## FOR SUPPORT OF TOWN PAUPERS.

Cynthia Jackson,	10 00
Theodore Chase,	143 14
Kate Chase,	77 78
C. Messer,	12 71
Henry Buckman,	11 25
Sabra Stearns,	21 37

Total for town paupers,

276 25

## FOR PLANK AND TIMBER.

Wm. H. Child,	4 48
Martin M. Williams,	3 60
W. W. Poole,	9 88
Francis E. Freeman,	5 54
A. E. Lucas,	2 70
E. O. & H. M. Day,	24 60
E. H. Smith,	5 04
W. E. Deming,	5 28
S. A. Tracy,	8 26
F. A. Johnson,	5 16
A. E. Wellman,	5 00
Alfred E. Lucas,	4 41
H. Leslie,	1 10
F. A. Johnson,	3 90
B. K. Chase,	7 50
James F. Tasker,	225 22
George D. Kenyon,	6 62
Lyman Fitch,	4 64
C. P. Jenney,	5 75
S. M. Bugbee,	1 60
Alfred E. Lucas,	1 29
David H. Chase,	4 25
Mary Hilliard,	7 00
C. E. Jackson,	4 20
O. A. Kelley,	3 00
Wm. P. Johnson,	4 95
O. B. Williams,	24 93
D. N. Morgan,	4 80
Benjamin Smith,	5 00
A. P. Messer,	7 27
Chester Pike,	43 91
Wm. H. Daniels,	1 50
B. F. Bugbee,	11 23
Hiram M. Weld,	4 35

N. A. Deming,	2 70
Lemuel Martindale,	1 36
Total of plank and timber,	<hr/> \$ 466 09

## FOR LABOR ON HIGHWAY AND BRIDGES.

Charles H. Thompson,	10 92
John Loverin,	5 55
John Loverin,	12 45
Daniel Whitmore,	7 00
Dennis Howard,	16 75
Lemuel Benway,	13 00
Seth Cole,	2 00
Martin M. Williams, (for 1871.)	4 00
W. W. Poole,	11 88
Francis E. Freeman,	3 00
Sylvanus Wilder, (stone for bridge, 1871.)	5 00
Lemuel Benway,	5 00
John M. Root,	5 98
George Weld,	5 00
John Q. York,	7 00
O. P. Burr,	10 50
Lemuel Benway,	13 50
Albert Weld,	5 25
Lemuel Benway,	15 50
O. P. Burr,	17 50
F. A. Johnson,	14 00
A. W. Fairbanks,	26 50
N. O. Bugbee,	8 17
Henry Smith,	5 75
E. O. Cole,	11 00
Lemuel Benway,	20 00
M. J. Deming,	5 00
James F. Tasker,	5 00
H. K. Curtis,	8 25
Marshall Harlow,	6 30
Chapman & Stone,	32 25
L. T. Chase,	19 50
Edward Bryant,	32 25
S. A. Tracy,	8 25
W. Dana,	1 50
Seth R. Cole,	27 75
Frank Richardson,	16 50
Lemuel Benway,	23 00
E. O. Cole,	29 50

Stratton Spaulding, (for 1871,)	4 00
Lester Boyd,	5 62
S. A. Tracy,	2 25
Lyman Fitch,	5 00
C. P. Jenney,	31 50
“	7 50
Sylvanus Wilder,	25 00
George Jackson,	7 50
Dennis Howard,	2 50
W. D. Lear,	17 76
C. E. Jackson,	23 51
O. A. Kelley,	7 50
John Loverin,	8 00
O. A. Kelley,	9 75
W. W. Poole,	15 00
John M. Deming,	12 00
Benjamin Bean,	3 93
O. P. Burr,	7 00
Dennis Howard,	8 25
John Loverin,	13 19
D. Whitmore,	3 50
Moses Hutchinson,	5 88
D. N. Morgan,	6 49
H. L. Fletcher,	18 00
Quartus Fletcher, (for plough and water trough),	3 00
Chester Pike,	34 34
B. B. Churchill, building bridge,	150 00
W. E. Westgate,	4 50
Edward Bryant,	9 25
W. H. Daniels,	6 00
Stratton Spaulding,	6 00
Forest Freeman,	2 65
Hiram P. Raymond,	3 00
George Weld,	5 00
Joseph L. Lamberton,	1 50
Stephen B. Deming,	5 50
Benjamin F. Bugbee,	6 92
Zebedee York,	3 00
Moody Hook,	3 48
Francis Freeman,	1 87
O. A. Kelley,	6 25
W. W. Poole,	7 00
Harrison Leslie,	20 00



C. P. Jenney,	3 86
Norman Deming,	2 00
W. P. Johnson,	8 80
Total for labor on highway,	<hr/> \$ 1021 80

## FOR CEMETERIES.

T. A. Gleason, for paints, oil, &c.,	62 61
E. O. Cole, labor, painting fence,	12 00
Frank Richardson, labor,	6 50
Seth Cole, labor,	9 00
Albert Penniman, labor,	14 00
T. A. Gleason, paints and oil,	12 25
J. F. Gilbert, paint,	3 00
Asa Nevins, labor,	13 50
Francis E. Freeman, labor,	3 75
S. M. Bugbee,	6 00
E. O. & H. M. Day,	6 75
Harvey Harlow,	6 00
Lemuel Martindale, wall and posts,	169 25
Total for cemeteries,,	<hr/> \$ 324 61

## FOR INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Michael McCarty, borrowed money,	100 00
Claremont Stationery Co., Selectmens' Books, &c.,	16 83
E. L. Cushing attorney fees for 1871,	15 00
Benj. S. Lewis, abatement of tax, 1871,	9 35
Eldad Coburn, " "	4 86
George W. Hunt, recording births and deaths,	6 25
W. P. Ryan, entertainment of selectmen and auditors 1871 and 1872,	25 75
Thos. J. Lasier, printing Town Reports, 1872,	43 50
Martin M. Williams, damage to horse on highway,	45 00
Horace L. Deming, over Tax on Poll, 1872,	1 58
S. A. Tracy, expense to Concord to get State Bonds,	6 25
S. M. Bugbee, labor on guide boards,	2 00
S. A. Tracy, expense of Selectmen at Wookstock,	4 00
First Baptist society, borrowed money,	100 00
H. H. York, over tax, 1872,	2 37
George G. Walker, over tax 1872,	7 87
John M. Root, over tax 1872,	3 15
Charles Williams, damage to wagon,	10 25
Read Shedd, " "	3 50
E. C. Barrows, entertainment of Selectmen,	8 75
Abel Perkins, abatement of dog tax, 1871,	2 00
Vt. Central R. R., freight on Safe,	13 34



H. Heywood, freight on Safe from Windsor,	5 00
George D. Kenyon, witness fees,	2 50
Almeda Jackson, for old order taken up,	161 95
American Steam Safe Company, for fire proof Safe,	300 00
Rebecca W. Martindale, Town agent note,	43 97
County of Sullivan, County tax,	1557 62
Samuel Putnam, school house tax, district No. 1,	300 00
H. W. Parker, costs against the town on Eri Richardson's suit,	37 70
F. A. Johnson, damage to wagon,	3 25
J. M. Davidson, services as trustee of Foss fund,	6 00
Albert E. Wellman, over tax 1872,	51
Thomas Wood, old order taken up,	1000 00
Philo Norris, services with hearse,	34 00
E. P. Bartlett, damage to wagon,	3 00
State Treasurer, State tax.	1389 00
Forest Freeman, land damage,	175 00
Orlando Powers, services as auditor,	12 85
J. Emerson, over tax 1872,	1 58
Ira Davidson, over tax on poll 1872,	1 58
James Kelly, over tax 1872,	7 88
Wm. D. Lear, watering trough,	3 00
C. E. Jackson, expense at Newport,	6 30
First Baptist society, old orders taken up.	500 00
Wilber Howard, over tax 1872,	1 58
A. Foss, over tax 1872,	7 87
A. P. Messer, water trough,	1 00
Jonas Hastings, over tax 1871 and 1872,	4 03
Claremont Man'f'g Co. printing check lists,	11 75
Philo Norris, services with hearse	4 00
William Hart, services as Selectman 1872,	8 75
Charles Tyler, watering trough,	2 00
John Conlin, damage, to wagon,	1 00
E. O. Day, expense at Newport and Claremont,	6 00
Wm. C. Wheeler, over tax, 1872,	1 58
Seth R. Cole, damage to plough	3 00
William D. Burr, watering trough,	2 00
H. M. Day, posting school notices 1871,	2 00
“ printing tax notices,	2 50
“ surveying,	1 50
“ footing Inventory and making taxes	13 00
“ auditors services, 1872,	12 00
Marshall Harlow, entertainment of Selectmen,	42 00
“ watering trough,	3 00

Siloam Spaulding, land damage,	5 50
Norman A. Deming, watering trough,	2 00
Roswell H. Boyd, over tax, 1871,	2 45
Daniel Chase, over tax, 1871,	2 45
John Johnson, damage on highway,	2 00
Wm. Hardy, over tax 1871,	2 45
Geo. E. Mercer " "	2 45
Thos. H. Stone " "	2 45
Alfred Ward " "	4 89
Henry Rawson, over tax 1872,	1 58
Levi M. Wilder " "	2 06
Mary Cotton, abatement of tax 1872,	2 74
Cyrena Huggins " " "	1 98
Sarah Lathrop " " "	2 52
Lucinda Walker " " "	1 58
Lemuel Martindale, sheriff's fee,	2 00
Dunton & Ayers, entertainment of selectmen,	5 50
S. A. Tracy, selectman's services 1872,	7 50
S. A. Tracy, postage and stationery,	1 75
H. M. Day, non resident, tax paid in labor,	43 72
C. E. Jackson, selectman's services, 1872,	7 00
Wm. Balloch, services in Freeman Road case,	8 00
W. P. Ryan, entertainment of selectmen,	62 0 )
W. P. Ryan, boarding men working on the road,	3 90
Chas. M. Palmer, printing and posting school notices,	5 00
Timothy A. Gleason, notifying jurors,	5 00

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Total incidentals, 6,305 42

FOR SHEEP KILLED BY DOGS.

Wm. E. Chadburn,	95 00
Geo. D. Kenyon,	18 00
E. H. Smith,	4 00
N. A. Deming,	30 00
Chester Pike,	65 00
E. R. Shedd,	12 00
Chester Pike,	8 00
	—————\$232 00

Abatement of taxes asked for by H. M. Day,  
collector.

John Milo, for tax of 1871,	2 45
John Milo, Jr., " " "	2 45
Franklin W. Newman " "	2 45
John L. Seaver " "	2 90

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\$10 25

John A. Ballou, for tax of 1872,	2 06
Laban L. Kingman       "       "	1 58
John Milo               "       "	2 58
John Milo, Jr.,         "       "	1 58
Joseph Page           "       "	1 58
Joseph I. Shallies     "       "	2 58
John L. Seaver         "       "	2 04
Philander C. Sargent   "       "	2 58
John Tileston          "       "	1 58
	<hr/> \$ 18 16

\$ 28 41

Asked for by George D. Kenyon, Lemuel Ben- way, tax of 1867,	\$ 38 35
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FOR TOWN OFFICERS' SERVICES FOR 1872.

Stephen A. Tracy, selectman's services,	98 37
Chas. E. Jackson,       "       "	94 37
E. O Day               "       "	90 50
Timothy A. Gleason, town clerk's services,	35 00
"       "       treasurer's       "	40 00
Charles M. Palmer, superintending school com- mittee services,	55 00
Van Buren Bachellor, liquor agent's services,	50 00
Henry M. Day, collector's                       "	100 00
Total for town officers' services,	<hr/> \$ 563 24

**RECAPITULATION.**

Total amount received,	\$ 24,543 13
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PAID OUT.

Support of schools,	1827 10
"       county paupers,	277 83
"       town       "	276 25
For plank and timber,	466 09
For labor on highways and bridges,	1021 80
For cemeteries,	324 61
Incidental expenses of the town, including State and county taxes,	6305 42
Sheep killed by dogs,	232 00
Abatement of taxes asked for by H. M. Day, for 1871,	10 25
Abatement of taxes asked for by H. M. Day, for 1872,	18 16
Abatement of taxes asked for by Geo. D. Ken- yon for 1867,	38 35

For town officers services,	563 24
	<hr/> 11,361 10
Leaving a balance of	\$ 13,182 03

### ORDERS OUTSTANDING AGAINST THE TOWN.

1861, Oct. 31.	No. 64.	Peter Hook,	\$100 00
1862, Feb. 22.	174.	Louisa J. Blanchard,	100 00
" " 24.	204.	Daniel G. Deming,	200 00
" Aug. 25.	44.	Daniel G. Deming,	300 00
" " 30.	52.	Harvey Knight,	100 00
" Nov. 15.	89.	Henry Leavitt,	100 00
1863, Oct. 24.	46.	Elizabeth Blood,	80 00
" Dec. 19.	77.	Peter Hook,	290 00
" " 26.	101.	George D. Kenyon.	225 00
1864, Jan. 2.	103.	Norman A. Deming,	200 00
" " 2.	110.	Joseph B. Comings,	850 00
" " 16.	138.	George D. Kenyon,	350 00
" Apr. 28.	12.	James M. Davidson,	
		Balance due,	173 51
" Aug. 13.	33.	Michael McCarty,	100 00
" " "	38.	Daniel G. Deming,	100 00
" " "	48.	Cyrus Smith,	1100 00
" " "	51.	Sarah W. Kinsman,	300 00
" " "	53.	Samuel Ayres,	590 00
" " "	54.	Thomas Wood,	600 00
" Sep. 3.	66.	Sarah W. Westgate,	
		Balance due,	231 08
" " 10.	76.	Huldah Deming,	50 00
1865, Feb. 6.	135.	Waldo L. Howard,	75 00
" " "	144.	Benj. E. Davis,	200 00
" " "	156.	Nellie M. Smith,	100 00
" Feb. 28.	195.	Dimick Baker,	1400 00
" Mar. 2.	216.	Henry Gould,	461 67
" " "	219.	James M. Davidson,	216 68
" " "	220.	Norman A. Deming,	127 32
" " "	122.	James M. Davidson,	170 85
" " "	123.	Henry Gould,	459 16
" Jun. 3.	3.	Wm. Balloch,	100 00
1867, Aug. 24.	24.	Marshall Harlow,	50 00
" Sep. 14.	35.	M. G. Day,	50 00
868, Jan. 1.	72.	Levi C. Fay,	1000 00
869, Jan. 2.	85.	Wm. Balloch,	1500 00
" " "	86.	" "	54 00



" Feb. 24.	168.	Albert Penniman,	69 97
" " 25.	174.	E. L. Cushing,	93 50
" " "	175.	Ira Colby, Jr.,	42 17
1870, Jan. 1.	120.	Nathan Harris,	232 00
1871, Feb. 17.	206.	Lemuel Martindale,	24 26
" " 28.	281.	George C. Dean,	5 25
1872, Feb. 24.	171.	Michael McCarty,	100 00
" " 29.	233.	Elizabeth D. Hall,	1886 40
" Mar. 16.	1.	Michael McCarty,	100 00
" Oct. 1.	90.	Almeda Jackson,	161 95
" " "	92.	Rebecca W. Martindale,	43 97
1873, Jan. 1.	118.	Thomas Wood,	1000 00
1872, Nov. 23.	124.	James F. Tasker,	5 00
" " "	135.	Wm. E. Chadburne,	
		sheep killed by dogs,	95 00
" " "	144.	George D. Kenyon,	
		sheep killed by dogs,	18 00
" Dec. 4.	150.	Forest Freeman,	175 00
" " 10.	164.	E. H. Smith	
		sheep killed by dog,	4 00
" " "	165.	David H. Chase,	4 25
1873, Jan. 1.	181.	First Baptist Society,	500 00
" Feb. 1.	217.	Norman A. Deming,	
		sheep killed by dogs,	30 00
" " "	225.	Chester Pike,	
		sheep killed by dogs,	65 00
" Feb. 22.	235.	E. R. Shedd,	
		sheep killed by dogs,	12 00
" " 26.	247.	Chester Pike,	
		sheep killed by dogs,	8 00
Total of orders, outstanding against the town,			\$16,779 99

## THE LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN ARE AS FOLLOWS.

Amount of orders outstanding,	\$16,779 99
Due to School District No. 14,	152 19
Interest on orders outstanding,	498 57

Total of Liabilities, \$17,430 75

## ASSETS.

Jonas Hastings' note,	\$2,312 78
Auren Johnson's "	1,097 22
John L. Paget's "	50 00
Geo. D. Kenyon's "	47 71
Jonas Hastings' "	84 76

Auction bills,	87 79
State Bonds,	4,000 00
Interest on the above,	109 02
Cash,	401 59
Liquor and casks in hands of Ag't,	203 00
	<hr/> \$8,393 87

Indebtedness over and above Assets, \$9,036 88

We find, not reported last year, orders and note, as follows:

1861, Jun. 26.	24.	James Hildreth,	\$101 25
1863, Apr. 10.		Rebecca W. Martindale,	
		Town Agent's note,	43 97
1865, Mar. 2.	216.	Henry Gould,	401 67
1866, Jun. 18.	11.	James M. Davidson,	1,000 00
			<hr/> \$1,606 89

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

### RECEIPTS.

Amount received and on hand Mar. 1, 1872, as follows:

Bal. prin. Jonas Hasting's note, dated Dec. 5, '68,	2312 78
" Auren Johnson, " "	1097 22
" John L. Paget, " "	50 00
" Geo. D. Kenyon, taxes uncollected,	95 56
" Jonas Hastings, "	96 00
Auction Bills,	98 49
Cash,	642 39
	<hr/> \$4,392 44

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Mar. 25, Rec. of Selectmen, borrowed money,	100 00
Jan. 15, " "	100 00
July 10, " State bonds and cash,	3920 00
" " Int. on State bonds,	223 00
July 18, " State bonds and cash,	7680 00
" " Cash,	40
July 31, " L. J. Mc Indoe, accrued int. on bond,	5 00
Sept. 4, Rec. of Selectmen, Co. pauper money,	83 25
Nov. 9, " int. on Foss Fund,	112 80
Dec. 13, " Auren Johnson, int. on note,	74 71
Dec. 21, Rec. of Auren Johnson int. on note,	65 83
Dec. 28, " Selectmen, Savings Bank tax,	265 16

"	"	Railroad tax,	46 16
"	"	Literary Fund,	127 05
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Jan. 1,	"	int. on State bonds,	119 60
Jan. 10,	"	Wm. Balloch int. on school fund,	10 00
Feb. 3,	"	Selectmen, Co. paupers money,	151 58
Feb. 17,	"	Jonas Hastings, int. on note,	138 76
Feb. 26,	"	int. on school fund,	23 24
Feb. 28,	"	B. B. Churchill, int. on bill,	3 00
	"	Selectmen, profit on liquor sold,	51 87
	"	H. M. Day, Collector,	9749 32
	"	" " dog tax,	107 00
Feb. 28,	"	int. on taxes,	23 06
	"	Selectmen, old orders paid by new,	1705 92
			<hr/> 24886 71
Total,			<hr/> \$ 29,279 15

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid as prin. on new orders,	9038 93
" old orders,	9000 08
" int. on old orders,	1452 39
" old orders by new orders,	1705 92
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\$ 21,197 32	

Balance in Treasurer's hands as follows:

Jonas Hasting's note,	2312 78
Auren Johnson's note,	1097 22
John L. Paget's note,	50 00
George D. Kenyon's note,	47 71
Jonas Hasting's note,	84 76
Auction bills,	87 79
State bonds,	4000 00
Cash,	401 57
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\$ 8,081 83	

## DOG FUND.

Rec. of H. M. Day, Collector, taxes on dogs,	107 00
Orders drawn for damage done by dogs, 232.00	
Balance against dogs,	125 00
Orders payable 2d Tues. of March, inst. at the rate of 46 7-58 per cent.	

## SCHOOL FUND.

Amount of funds in hands of Treasurer, \$ 470 87  
 Which is respectfully submitted,  
 T. A. GLEASON, *Treasurer.*

## JACOB FOSS LEGACY, TRUSTEE'S REPORT.

Sept. 14, 1866, received of the executor of the will of Jacob Foss, late of Charlestown, Mass., deceased,	2820 00
Received interest on said legacy for the year ending Sept. 17, 1872,	169 20
Nov. 9, 1872, paid the selectmen of Cornish to be appropriated for the support of the poor of said town,	112 80
Leaving a balance,	\$ 56 40
Deduct over paid 1871,	2 71
Making to be appropriated for flags, 1872,	53 69
June 1872, paid James Tasker and H. Weld, for fixtures and putting up flag,	14 60
Paid Fearing, Rodman & Co., for flag,	34 25
Paid expense of getting flag,	1 00
	<hr/> \$ 49 85

Which is respectfully submitted.

J. M. DAVIDSON, *Trustee.*

## REPORT OF LIQUOR AGENT.

1873, March, 1, liquor and casks on hand,	203 00
“ “ on hand last year,	186 74
Cash received for sale of liquors,	598 08
Cash paid for liquors and freight,	546 21
Cash paid selectmen,	\$ 51 87.
Profit,	\$ 68 13

V. B. BACHELLOR, *Agent.*

We certify that we have examined the transactions of the town officers, and find them correct and properly vouched and that we believe the statement of the assets and liabilities of the town is made in good faith and correct.

ORLANDO POWERS. }  
 HENRY M. DAY. } *Auditors.*



# REPORT

OF THE

## Superintending School Committee

OF

### CORNISH.

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Your committee would present the following as his report of the schools taught in town during the past year.

I am not able to compare the success of this year with former years; but, considering the disadvantages of small schools, short terms, and the ability and experience the compensation can command, we ought to be encouraged by the results.

A brief report of each term is given, and most of my impressions and suggestions may be found in the general report following it.

No. 1. (BALLOCH'S.) MISS MARY E LAWS, MISS MARY J. SANBORN, Teachers.

Summer Term.—Miss Laws taught this school with a good degree of success. Good order was maintained and accuracy in recitation insisted on.

Winter Term.—During the vacation the district removed their dilapidated house and replaced it with a handsome structure.

The number of scholars was doubled and all commenced the winter term with the evident purpose to have a school worthy of the new house.

Miss Sanborn brought to her work large experience and an enthusiasm seldom seen. She showed herself thoroughly at home in managing and teaching the school.

Several older scholars, some of them teachers, attended with profit and interest. A later visit, sometime before the close, confirmed the favorable impression first received. We are glad to see that the district are willing to pay for the best talent available.

An entire freedom from whispering and other communication would have been an additional excellence.

No. 2. ("ABOVE THE BRIDGE.") MISS LAURA C. CHASE, MISS HATTIE J. HILDRETH, MR. CHARLES E. COCHRAN, Teachers.

Summer Term.—The teacher had the advantage of a thorough acquaintance with the scholars; and the school, though a short one, was attended with the same success of past terms by the same teacher. The school was marked by good order, careful teaching and entire harmony.

Fall Term.—This teacher carried forward the work of the previous term with a good share of success. These scholars deserve a better place for study. We forbear to say anything further of this house for rumor has it that the district propose to replace it with one fitted for the wants of a school.

The Winter Term was taught by Mr. C. E. Cochran, of Dartmouth College. This was his first attempt at teaching, but he showed aptness to teach and executive ability that promised the highest success. The school was a good deal broken by the prevalence of measles and colds. Several of the best scholars were absent at the close, but the term seems to have been as successful as could be expected under the disadvantages. The improvement in penmanship was as marked as in any other school in town. A little more care in keeping the writing books would have been an additional excellence.

No. 3.. ("STEPHEN A. TRACY'S.") MRS. SUSAN M. THRASHER, MISS LUCY A. KENYON, Teachers.

Summer Term.—The teacher was favorably known from a long and successful experience in teaching, and she showed that she had not lost her aptness to teach in her long absence from the school room.

Unusual care was shown in drilling the reading classes. The older teachers show that they have not outlived their usefulness in the school.

Winter Term.—The work so well begun in the Summer was taken up by Miss Kenyon with an energy and confidence that gave promise of the best results. Failing to receive notice of its close, a second visit was not made to the school.

No. 4. ("DINGLETON.") MISS E. R. BEAL, Teacher.

Both terms were under the charge of the same teacher. The school was small and no great enthusiasm could be expected. The teacher seemed to have won the esteem of her scholars, and, in a quiet way, to have done a good work.

No. 5. ("CAPT. SETH JOHNSON'S.") MISS LIZZIE S. BALCH, MISS CARRIE E. WIGHTMAN, Teachers.

Summer Term.—The school enjoyed the instruction of a scholarly and gentle teacher, who seemed to win the respect of her pupils. The

school was small and composed of young scholars. We should characterize it as a successful term.

Winter Term.—The teacher came to her work with high literary qualifications, but failed to win the good will and respect of her pupils, so necessary to the highest usefulness. She at least proved that she has the capacity to impart instruction with great clearness to any pupil ready to co-operate with her. If there was any prejudice against this teacher from the outset, it shows how apparently trifling causes may thwart the best success of a school.

No. 6. ("THE FLAT." MISS ABBIE E. READ, MR. IRA H. ADAMS, Teachers.

Summer Term.—Miss Read is a thorough scholar, earnest and enthusiastic in her work. Many of her scholars caught the same spirit and the result was a pleasing success. The teacher is quite familiar with the most approved methods of teaching, and bids fair to take the highest rank in this calling. She showed a purpose to give her classes thorough practice in reading; in fact she attempted to teach every branch thoroughly well. The large number of classes hinders the best success of this school. Not able to be present at the closing examination, we learn from members of the district that it was very satisfactory.

Winter Term.—The school enjoyed the services of a gentleman of good reputation in the school room, and he carried forward the work of the summer term, in spite of some hindrance, with commendable success. There were too many classes again for the best profit. The teacher labored devotedly for the interest of the school, and there was a good degree of co-operation. The classes in Geography presented some fine map drawings. We were glad to see so many of the citizens at the closing examination.

No. 7. ("THE CENTRE.") MRS. ABBIE C. NEVINS, MISS MARY A. FREEMAN, Teachers.

Summer Term.—This school was marked by quiet and faithful work on the part of the teacher who has known considerable experience in the work in former years. Under her lead the school attained a fair share of success. Much was done to beautify the school room.

Winter Term.—It is sufficient to say that the success so fairly won in district No. 10, summer and fall, marked the teacher's efforts in the winter. Her labors were appreciated by her pupils and the district generally. The larger scholars commended themselves by a hearty respect for their teacher's wishes and great earnestness in the work of the school room. While all the teaching was accurate and thorough, as in her previous schools, the writing books showed that skill and

enthusiasm on the part of the teacher had something to do with the success of the scholars. Well were it if every district could and would secure the services of such a teacher.

No. 8. (GOWARD'S.) MISS LETTIE E. HOOK, MRS MARY E. LAWS, Teachers.

Summer Term.—This school enjoyed a previous favorable acquaintance with the teacher and her method of instruction. It was marked by a conscientious devotion of the teacher to her work, and a good degree of earnest effort on the part of the scholars. A good number of parents and citizens attested their interest, by their presence at the closing examination.

Winter Term.—The same ability to govern and instruct were apparent as in this teacher's former efforts. The closing examination showed thorough teaching and good attention to study. The classes in mental arithmetic showed a good knowledge of what they had passed over. We should call it a very profitable term.

No. 9. ("TOWN HOUSE.") MISS IDA A. BABBITT, Teacher.

The fact that the teacher served the same district two terms last year, indicates their estimate of her services.

During the fall term several scholars came from the adjoining district and were a real benefit to the school. Perhaps on this account there seemed less enthusiasm with the smaller number of the winter term. Greater improvement in writing, we think would have resulted, had all the scholars provided themselves with the books recommended.

No. 10. ("EDMINSTER.") MISS MARY A. FREEMAN, Teacher.

All that has been said of this teacher in connection with No. 7 was true here. Seldom do we see teacher and scholars so thoroughly united in the common work. Her slightest wish was law to her pupils. They showed themselves worthy of their teacher. The highest success was perhaps reached in the fall term. Among the many well written books in town, the very best—scarcely inferior to the printed copy—was found here.

Let me say to the citizens of this district, that their children are worthy of better accommodations than their school house can furnish.

No. 11. ("THE CITY.") MISS CLARA E. ALLISON, MISS FRANK M. BAILEY, Teachers.

Summer Term.—The school appeared pretty well at both visits, though about all the boys, near the close, seem to have been drawn off to meet the necessities of the hayfield.

Winter Term.—The school was commenced by Miss Lizzie F. Bridge, who, from ill health, resigned at the close of the first week. Her successor, Miss Bailey, is a teacher of large experience and showed



herself master of the situation. She seemed to impart something of her own earnestness and vitality to the school. All branches of study seem to have been pursued with fair success. Some of the older scholars show by their attainments that they would greatly profit by better advantages than the district school affords.

No. 12. ("POPPYSQUASH.") MISS EVA S. LAMSON, Teacher.

Miss Lamson taught both terms, and, under her earnest efforts, some progress was made. This, with some other schools, is too small to awaken any great enthusiasm in teacher or scholars.

No. 13. ("NORMAN A. DEMING'S.") MISS ELLA E. HART, MR. HERBERT DEMING, Teachers.

Summer Term.—The school house is not convenient for use. A little expense in re-arranging the seats and in repairs would be true economy. In spite of these disadvantages the school made fair progress. The teacher pursued her work with much energy.

Winter Term,—Mr. Deming being a resident of the district and recently fellow-student with many of his scholars, disproved the proverb: "A prophet hath no honor in his own country." To the credit of the school, they seemed from the outset to accord him entire respect, and second all his efforts. On his part, he showed tact and energy in teaching and governing the school. We hope he will teach again as he shows natural qualifications for this work that makes it safe to predict the best success.

No. 14. ("THE HEMPYARD.") No School.

No. 15. ("JOHN M. ROOT'S.") MISS. EDNA J. POPE, Teacher.

But one term of eight weeks was taught, and two of the scholars were so often absent, that their attendance amounted to but 24 and 27 days respectively. The law compelling attendance would have been enforced, had the facts been known before the close of school. Miss. Pope is well known in this district, and performed her work with satisfactory results. These scholars deserve a longer school.

No. 16. ("TEXAS.") MISS. ABBIE O. ANDREWS, MISS. HANNAH T. DEMING, Teachers.

Summer Term.—This teacher, though quiet in her manner, seemed to possess many qualities that would promise success. Receiving no word of its close, a second visit was not given.

Winter Term.—This school received a valuable addition of several large boys and girls and did a very good term's work. It is a matter of regret that the older pupils, in this and other schools, cannot have more than a single term of school during the entire year.

## SCHOOL HOUSES.

It is gratifying to record the erection of a new school house in No. 1, worthy of the district. It is said that No. 2, if not other districts, will soon follow their example. There are some other good houses as in district Nos. 3, 7, 9 and 11. These and others also, would do good service if kept in repair. It is a mistake to let any term begin when the plastering or paper is hanging from the walls, and with insufficient or unpainted blackboards, or any convenience of the school room wanting. For these smaller repairs the Prudential Committees are allowed to appropriate the funds of the district. Besides windows to lower, there ought to be one good ventilator in the ceiling, to let out the foul air.

We are glad to state that most of the schools, under the lead of their teachers, furnished adornments for their rooms, consisting of flowers and flowering plants, evergreen wreaths, leaves and pictures. Some unsightly rooms were made very attractive by these inexpensive adornments. We trust that this good work will be repeated every term. A few dollars expended in paint, paper and whitewash would be a good investment in several districts. New houses are needed in some cases.

## TEACHERS.

As was to be expected, the teachers employed have shown varying scholarship, capacity to govern, and aptness to teach. Their work was therefore marked with various degrees of success. Of all, it may be said that they appeared to labor faithfully and conscientiously for the best interests of their scholars. Some are inexperienced and a few need a higher scholarship in order to lead others on with the best success. But when we consider the cost of a higher education and the small compensation given in many districts, the scholarship and skill are all that could be expected. In a few cases, teachers need to be reminded that strict discipline can be best enforced by dignity and firmness, *with* a loving kindness that wins the heart.

## STUDIES AND TEXT BOOKS.

READING.—In some schools this has been pursued with excellent success. The older scholars have been taught to read slowly and distinctly. Some teachers fail to correct bad habits because they do not seem to attempt it. They do not drill their classes enough, on slow and distinct pronunciation.

A few selections, chosen here and there, to meet the wants of the classes, and re-read till nearly right, together with daily practice of

vowel and consonant sounds, are better than the entire book, read without this careful method. The motto should be, "A little but well."

In some schools, the older classes have learned definitions of words in reading and spelling, a practice of great value in a thorough education.

**ARITHMETIC.**—In many cases, pupils in written arithmetic also received drill in mental exercises. Most scholars need more mental arithmetic, with examples outside of their books, to lead them to reason and apply the rules of the text book to cases in actual life.

**GRAMMAR.**—Very few pupils get far on in English Grammar, many large boys not taking it at all. In the home, if any where, will our children be taught to speak the language correctly. Parents do not think of this enough. But every scholar ought to learn by actual practice the application of the common rules for the use of capital letters and marks of punctuation. This, together with a careful correction of common grammatical errors in speech and writing, would give them a more practical outfit than any memorizing of definitions or mere parsing of correct sentences.

**GEOGRAPHY.**—Instead of long descriptions of many countries and states, that confuse the memory and are soon lost, it would seem to be a gain if the pupil were early made familiar with the location of the larger bodies of land and water, the States and chief cities, together with the mountain systems, rivers and lakes by map drawing and recitation from chalk sketches of his own, and a good mural map. A single good map like D. L. Guernsey's Map of the World and of the United States, would be a great help in teaching Geography.

**PENMANSHIP.**—At the beginning of the summer term, Payson, Dunton & Scribner's Writing Books, Nos. 1 and 3, were introduced into the schools with a desire of getting a good and uniform system. Nearly all pupils attending to this branch have used the books and with gratifying success.

Among several schools worthy of honorable mention in this regard, the neatest books, the most carefully written copies and the greatest improvement were, perhaps, found in No. 10, summer and fall, and the winter term of No. 7.

I cannot too strongly recommend that all who write, use these books with the addition of number 6 only for such scholars as have successfully completed Nos. 1 and 3.

A great change for the better is already manifest in this most important branch, and some scholars have reached an enviable degree of perfection.

**TEXT BOOKS.**—It is a great hindrance to the best success that such a variety of books in the same study is found in school. In many cases the number of classes could have been reduced three or four, but scholars happened to have a certain book which they or their parents thought would answer just as well as any other. So the teacher's time is divided among many small classes with little emulation or interest.

As many as six kinds of Geographies and Grammars are in use. The change initiated in respect to writing books ought gradually to be applied to all other branches. Should there be a school committee so daring as to use the power given him by Statute to lead the way to something like uniformity of text-books, it is to be hoped that the citizens will support him in the much needed change.

Your Committee, in retiring, desires to express his obligation to teachers, scholars and parents, for the pleasant relations with them during the past year. He can only ask the same courtesy and kindness for his successor as has been accorded to himself.

Respectfully Submitted.

C. M. PALMER,

*Supt. School Committee.*

## ROLL OF HONOR.

The following scholars have attended school one whole term without marks of absences or tardiness; and those having a \* have not been absent, but have been tardy.

District No. 1. (Not known.)

District No. 2. Lizzie Chase, Ida Williams, Nettie Williams, Henry Austin, Robert Austin.

District No. 3. Lizzie Chadborn, Mabel F. Thrasher, Edmund B. Chadborn, Webster Thrasher, Frank G. Chadborn, \*Benj. B. Flint, Geo Ruggles.

District No. 5. Ada E. Bartlett, Julia E. Bartlett, Minnie S. Wood, Arthur E. Bartlett, Freddie L. Wood, Bertie A. Wood.

District No 5. \*Warren Quimby, \*Carlos Royce, 2 terms.

District No. 6. \*Sarah Bryant, Mary E. Cole, Minnie Truell, Nellie Britton, Daniel Bryant, Sarah Bryant, Ida M. Mitchell,

District No. 7. Eliza A. Paget, Emily E. Nevins, Mary S. Fairbanks, Stella C. Patrick.

District No. 8. Florence I. Lougee, Arthur Penniman, Norman C. Penniman, 2 terms; Arthur L. Benway, \*Fred H. Richardson.



District No 9. Eugene W. Smith.

District No. 10. Dora F. Bugbee, Mary S. Fairbanks, Jennie L. Jackson, Hattie A. Weld, 2 terms; Anna I. Lear; Lizzie M. Jackson, 2 terms; Frank E. Bugbee, Edwin A. Fairbanks, 2 terms; Luman H. Hilliard, Fred U. Weld; David H. Lamberton, 2 terms; John C. Lamberton, Chas. S. Lear, Dan H. Weld.

District No 11. Stella M. Kenyon, Liona A. Haven, Nettie N. Ashley, \*Lucy L. Morgan.

District No. 12. Ella M. Butman; Eva M. Kelley, 2 terms.

District No 13. Ella E. York, Clayton B. Hilliard, Luman H. Hilliard, \*Elmer E. York, \*Geo. L. Dearborn, Victor N. Deming, Charlie E. York, \*Almina E. Deming.

District No. 15. Martin Conlin, \*Patrick Conlin.

District No. 16. Hattie B. Burr, 2 terms; Charles S. Burr, Fred P. Howard, Reuben L. Stone, Henry A. Whitmore, John B. Burr, Anna Weld, Martha Weld, Lucy E. Howard, Clara D. Allen.

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## STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. of Dist.	Prudential Committee	Names of Teachers.	No. of Term.	No. of Weeks.	No. of Schol's.	Percentage of	Am't of Sch'l Money.	Am't per sch.	Visits of Supt.	Citizens, etc.
					Av. Attend'ce.					
1	Reed Shedd.....	Miss M. E. Laws.....	1 12	17 12	71	\$198	5.52	2 7		
		" M. J. Sanborn.....	2 12	33 26	79			2 15		
		" L. S. Chase.....	1 8	14 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	75	165	6.89	2 0		
2	E. Bryant.....	" H. J. Hildreth.....	2 10	12 11	92			2 2		
		Mr. C. E. Cochran.....	3 12	19 14	72			2 0		
3	L. Chapman.....	Mrs. S. M. Thrasher.....	1 9	20 16	80	94	3.62	2 7		
		Miss L. A. Kenyon.....	2 10	17 13	77			1 8		
4	G. B. Walker.....	" E. R. Beal.....	1 10	10 9	90	76	7.63	2 11		
		" E. R. Beal.....	2 10	11 8 $\frac{1}{3}$	76			2 9		
5	R. Johnson.....	" L. S. Balch.....	1 8	9 8	89	96	6.88	2 16		
		" C. E. Wightman.....	2 11	11 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	77			3 5		
6	S. Bugbee.....	" A. E. Read.....	1 14	36 27 $\frac{1}{2}$	76	262	5.71	4 14		
		Mr. I. H. Adams.....	2 12	39 31 $\frac{1}{2}$	81			3 43		
7	J. L. Paget.....	Mrs. A. C. Nevins.....	1 8	10 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	82	154	7.74	3 15		
		Miss M. A. Freeman.....	2 12	18 16 $\frac{1}{4}$	89			6 36		
8	M. Hutchinson.....	" L. E. Hook.....	1 11	14 12 $\frac{1}{3}$	88	163	8.17	2 17		
		" M. E. Laws.....	2 13 $\frac{1}{2}$	18 15 $\frac{1}{3}$	86			2 20		
9	P. W. Smith.....	" I. A. Babbitt.....	1 12	22 17 $\frac{1}{2}$	80	102	8.58	2 7		
		" I. A. Babbitt.....	2 12	11 8	73			2 3		
10	A. W. Fairbanks...	" M. A. Freeman.....	1 11	21 19	90	126	3.94	3 7		
		" M. A. Freeman.....	2 12	24 21	89			2 8		
11	G. E. Hilliard.....	" C. E. Allison.....	1 10	20 13	65	120	4.45	3 11		
		" F. M. Bailey.....	2 10	17 12 $\frac{1}{3}$	72			3 10		
12	O. A. Kelley.....	" E. S. Lamson.....	1 6	10 6	60	35	3.57	2 0		
		" E. S. Lamson.....	2 6	8 5	63			2 5		
13	L. Fitch.....	" E. E. Hart.....	1 11	17 15	88	99	4.52	2 9		
		Mr. H. Deming.....	2 9 $\frac{1}{6}$	22 19	87			2 6		
15	J. Root.....	Miss E. J. Pope.....	1 8	11 9	82	30	2.79	2 3		
16	D. Whitmore.....	" A. O. Andrews.....	1 8	14 10	79	81	3.12	1 7		
		" H. T. Deming.....	2 13	24 18	75			2 15		

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